House File 386 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON VETERANS
AFFAIRS

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 121)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the issuance of driver's licenses marked to
- 2 reflect veteran status.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 321.189, subsection 8, Code 2019, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 8. Veterans status. A licensee who is an honorably
- 4 discharged veteran of the armed forces of the United States may
- 5 request that the license be marked to reflect the licensee's
- 6 veteran status. Upon such a request, the word "VETERAN" shall
- 7 be marked prominently on the face of the license. Such a
- 8 license shall be issued upon receipt of satisfactory proof
- 9 of veteran status pursuant to procedures established by the
- 10 department in consultation with the department of veterans
- 11 affairs, or upon presentation of the licensee's certification
- 12 of release or discharge from active duty, DD form 214, to
- 13 the department at the time of the licensee's request, if the
- 14 form indicates the licensee was honorably discharged. If
- 15 the license is issued upon presentation of the licensee's
- 16 certification of release or discharge from active duty, DD form
- 17 214, the department shall notify the commission of veteran
- 18 affairs of the county of the licensee's residence that the
- 19 licensee was issued a license marked to reflect the licensee's
- 20 veteran status. After receiving notification from the
- 21 department, the commission of veteran affairs shall initiate
- 22 contact with the licensee.
- 23 EXPLANATION
- 24 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 25 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 26 In 2016, the general assembly authorized driver's licenses
- 27 to be marked to reflect a licensee's veteran status if the
- 28 licensee presented the licensee's DD form 214 to the department
- 29 of transportation and the form indicated the licensee was
- 30 honorably discharged. This bill strikes the provision.